

PLEASURES FOR EVERMORE

"THOU WILT SHEW ME THE PATH OF LIFE: IN THY PRESENCE IS FULNESS OF JOY; AT THY RIGHT
 HAND THERE ARE PLEASURES FOR EVERMORE"
 (PSALM 16:11)

[Beloved] ... imagine that moment to have arrived: All of earth's attraction ceases, all of creature-succor fails. Everything is failing — heart and strength failing — mental power failing — medical skill failing — human affection and sympathy failing; the film of death is on the eye, and the invisible realities of the spirit-world are unveiling to the mental view. Bending over you, the loved one who has accompanied you to the shore of the cold river, asks a sign. You are too weak to conceive a thought, too low to breathe a word, too absorbed to bestow a responsive glance. You cannot now assert your faith in an elaborate creed, and you have no profound experience, or ecstatic emotions, or heavenly visions to describe. One brief, but all-emphatic, all-expressive sentence embodies the amount of all that you now know, and believe, and feel: it is the profession of your faith, the sum of your experience, the ground of your hope — "Christ is Precious to My Soul!" [My sufficiency!]. The dying Christian can give, and the inquiring friend can wish no more. Dearest Savior, be close to me in that solemn moment! Tread the valley by my side, pillow my languid head upon Your bosom, speak these words of heart-cheer to my struggling, pining, departing soul, "*Fear not, I Am with you*" (Isaiah 43:5). Then, it will be happiness for me to die — death will have no venom — the grave no gloom — eternity no dread; and, from the measured experience of Your preciousness on earth, I shall pass in triumph through the shadowy portal into the full sunshine and perfect realization and eternal enjoyment of all that faith believed, and love desired, and hope expected, of Your full-orbed glory and preciousness in heaven. "In your presence is fullness of joy; and at your right hand there are pleasures for evermore!" [Psalm 16:11] — Octavius Winslow

CALENDAR 2019 / 2020

BIRTHDAYS

Shawna Hicks September 4th
Ray McMahon September 5th
Naomi Caffee September 5th

UP COMING EVENTS

Fellowship Luncheon Today!
Lincoln Wood Conference Oct 5, 6, 7
Grace Conference Feb 21, 22, 23

If the Lord puts it on your heart, visit us and "Come and see" / Si el Señor quiere, "Ven y ve"

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

bookshelf:sovereigngrace.us
Spiritual Autobiography, Joseph Hart
Prodigal Blessing, Joseph Hart, J.A. Kingham
The Three Birthdays, Unknown
"Prove all things..." / "Examinadlo todo..."
librero.iglesiadegracia.us
...Redimido en Jesucristo, Walter Groover
Las ovejas oyen la Voz, Cody Groover
Inmundo o Santo, Joseph D Murphy

When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost (JOHN 19:30)

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WELCOME

Sinners are welcome at our church. We are a local body of the Lord Jesus Christ. As you spend time with us, you'll soon discover we're an *imperfect* church, with an *imperfect* pastor, yet by God's undeserved grace, we preach, believe, and know the *perfect* gospel of our never failing Lord Jesus Christ. Reader, we call His name JESUS for HE SHALL (not might, not maybe) rather HE SHALL save His people from their sins. And beloved believing sinner you already know it — you are complete in Him, saved to the uttermost.

"Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners" JOSEPH D MURPHY, PASTOR
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Sunday, 10 AM 2 JOHN ENGLISH	Sunday, 11 AM PSALM ENGLISH	Domingo, 6 PM ROMANOS ESPAÑOL	Wednesday, 7 PM ROMANS ENGLISH
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SERVICE TIMES

AUDIO PODCASTS

ENGLISH

Bible Classes Sun, 10 AM
Worship Service Sun, 11 AM
Bible Study Wed, 7 PM

AVAILABLE ON ITUNES AND GOOGLE PLAY

Purposed Grace Sermons
Purposed Grace Articles
DISPONIBLE EN ITUNES Y GOOGLE PLAY
Propósito y Gracia, Sermones
Propósito y Gracia, Artículos

ESPAÑOL

Servicio de Adoración Dom, 6 PM

NURSERY AVAILABLE FOR 4 YEARS OLD AND YOUNGER / GUARDERÍA DISPONIBLE

RECENT PODCASTS

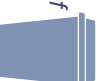
DIRECTIONS

RECENT SERMONS
 Rejoice, ye Gentiles... (Rom 15:5-13)
 The righteous shall be glad in Him (Psalm 64)
 Whatsoever is Not Of Faith is Sin (Rom 14:18-23)

We are situated 1 mile south of the Denny's Restaurant located right by the corner of US Highway 59 and State Highway 242.

SERMONES RECIENTES
 Cristo vino para salvar... (1 Tim 1:15)
 Nacimiento Nuevo (Juan 3:7)
 ...la voluntad de Dios (Mateo 8:2-3)

Show up early and have a cup of coffee with us! 9:30 & 10:30 AM



“JESUS ONLY”

“AND WHEN THEY HAD LIFTED UP THEIR EYES, THEY SAW NO MAN, SAVE JESUS ONLY”
(MATTHEW 17:8)

Believer in Jesus! remember, all your confidence, all your hope, all your comfort flows from the *finished* work of your Saviour. “*Jesus only*.” [See that you do not unwittingly add something to the perfection of this work]. You may be betrayed into this sin and this folly by looking within yourself rather than to the person of Jesus; by attaching an importance too great to repentance and faith, and your own doings and strivings, rather than ceasing from your own works altogether, and resting for your peace and joy and hope, simply, entirely, and exclusively in the work of Jesus. Remember that whatever we unintentionally add to the finished work of Christ, mars the perfection and obscures the beauty of that work. “*If thou lift up thy tool upon it, thou hast polluted it*” (Exodus 20:25). Nothing have we to do but, in our moral pollution and nakedness, to plunge beneath the fountain, and wrap our selves within the robe of that Saviour’s blood and righteousness who, when he expired on the tree, so completed our redemption, as to leave us nothing to do but to *believe* and be *saved*. “*It is finished!*” (John 19:30) — O words, pregnant of the deepest meaning! O words, rich of the richest consolation! Salvation is finished! “*Jesus only*.” Look from fluctuating frames, and fitful feelings, and changing clouds, to “*Jesus only*.” Look from sins and guilt, from emptiness and poverty, to “*Jesus only*.” The veil of the temple is rent in twain, and you may pass into its holiest, and lay upon the altar the sacrifice of a broken and a contrite heart, which shall be accepted through him who “*gave himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God, for a sweet-smelling savor*” (Ephesians 5:2).

“*It is finished!*” Let devils hear it, and tremble! let sinners hear it, and believe! let saints hear it, and rejoice! All is finished. “Then, Lord, I flee to thee, just as I am! I have stayed away from thee too long, and ‘am nothing bettered, but rather grown worse.’ Too exclusively have I looked at my unworthiness, too absorbed have I been with my penury, too bitterly have I mourned having nothing to pay. Upon thy own finished work I now cast myself. Save, Lord, and I shall be saved!” Before this stupendous truth, let all creature merit sink, let all human glory pale, let all man’s boasting vanish, and Jesus be all in all. Perish forms and ceremonies — perish rites and rituals — perish creeds and churches — perish, utterly and forever perish, whatever would be a substitute for the

finished work of Jesus, what ever would attempt to add to the finished work of Jesus, whatever would tend to neutralize the finished work of Jesus, whatever would obscure with a cloud, or dim with a vapor, the beauty, the luster, and the glory of the finished work of Jesus, [let it perish! It was “*Jesus only*” in the councils of eternity — it was “*Jesus only*” in the everlasting covenant of grace, — it was “*Jesus only*” in the manger of Bethlehem — it was “*Jesus only*” in the garden of Gethsemane — it was “*Jesus only*” upon the cross of Calvary — it was “*Jesus only*” in the tomb of Joseph — it was “*Jesus only*” who, “*when he had by Himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high*” (Hebrews 1:3). And it shall be “*Jesus only*” the joy of our hearts, the object of our glory, the theme of our song, the Beloved of our adoration, our service, and our praise, through the endless ages of eternity. O stand fast in life and in death, by the *finished* work of Jesus. — **Octavius Winslow**

[Believing sinner, “*Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage*” (GALATIANS 5:1)] AMEN!

IN THE FAITH

“LET A MAN EXAMINE HIMSELF, AND SO LET HIM EAT OF THAT BREAD, AND DRINK OF THAT CUP”
(1 CORINTHIANS 11:28)

Usually, when we think of examining ourselves, we think of examining our lives. How are we dealing with besetting sins? Are we reading the Bible to our spiritual profit? Are we spending time in prayer and communion with the Lord? What does our daily lives say about our love to Christ? Can others see that we are Christians? What did Paul say? *Examine yourselves whether you be in the faith*: if we gain assurance by how well we are performing, it is a false, works based assurance. [If we conclude, we are not saved because of our failures in these things, we are once again making salvation dependent upon our performance]. Do you believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God? Do you believe that when He said, “*It is finished*” the salvation of all the elect was accomplished? (John 19:30) Are you relying on who He is and what He did as all you have for acceptance with God? Then you are “*in the faith*” and a true child of God. — **Todd Nibert**